



# CENTRAL OHIO NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION

Box 1561, Dublin, OH 43017



## March, 2019

- When:** 7 p.m., March 20  
**Where:** Oakstone Academy  
900 Club Dr., Westerville  
**Who:** Steve Petty  
**Topics:** Society of Medalists and a Q&A

## March presentation

Stephen Petty is going to deliver a two-part presentation. He'll begin with a brief presentation on the Society of Medalists and segue into a Q & A with several of our members.

From 1930 to 1995 the Society of Medalists issued two medals a year in an effort to encourage sculptors and make their creations available to the public. A total of 129 medals were issued; 135 if one considers the six medals issued with Issue #128. Several coin designers contributed to the series, including Laura Gardin Fraser, winner of the ill-fated Washington quarter design contest; Hermon A. MacNeil, designer of the Standing Liberty quarter; and John Flanagan, whose design actually appears on the Washington quarter.

In the second part of his presentation he'll interview a few of our members about their lives and collecting interests. You all will have to guess who may get interviewed! As you may recall he did something like this at several meetings a few years ago and it was interesting to learn interesting facts regarding our club members.

## Club auction

Send April lots to Steve B - [@columbus.rr.com](mailto:@columbus.rr.com) - by April 9



## February presentation

Despite terrible weather, 32 members ventured out in February to hear Rachael W's presentation on apothecary weights and Gerry Tebben's presentation on collecting manhole covers.

We've all encountered apothecary weights, with their cryptic markings, and wondered what they are. Rachael had the answer.

They were used by druggists compounding medicines. The weight went on one side of a balance beam scale and a powder or such went on the other. Some weights look like coins, others are flat sheets of brass. Two, she said, actually doubled as Civil War tokens. Scale and weight maker John P. Gruber issued an 1863 token that showed a scale on one side and an eagle on the reverse with the legend APOTH. WEIGHT/ ONE DRAM/1863.

The ONE DRAM reverse was also mated with an obverse advertising Warmkessel's beer hall.

A dram was equal to 3 scruples.

Pharmacists lost their scruples in the 1960s when metric weights replaced apothecary troy weights.

Rachael's PowerPoint and a handout on the odd items can be found on the Newman Numismatic Portal.

## February winners

**Door prizes:** Richard B., Marlene C., Daryl M/ and Kevin T..

**Raffle:** Karl N.

**50/50:** Denny R. was not present so the \$72 pot rolled over

# CONA SPRING GRADING SEMINAR

**Date:** Saturday, April 6, 2019

**Time:** Four-hour seminar – 10 am - 2 pm, limited to 25-30 people.

**Location:** Oakstone Academy, 900 Club Drive Westerville, Ohio 43085 .

**Cost:** \$10/person, snacks and drinks included.

**To Attendees:** The Coin World grading book, *Making the Grade: Comprehensive Grading Guide for U.S. Coins* is \$19.99 (half price) at [www.amosadvantage.com](http://www.amosadvantage.com)

**Grading Coins:** Slabbed coins will be used for grading. The grades will be covered. Both straight graded and problem coins will be used. The coins will be US type coins in various circulated grades and mint state. Hopefully a good cross section and variety of coins.

**Sign up:** Sign up sheet at the March meeting or contact Tony Cass at [dacass@columbus.rr.com](mailto:dacass@columbus.rr.com)



*Tony Cass and Steve Roach discuss grading at the 2014 CONA grading seminar.*

## New board members

Rachael W., Loren R. and Dan C. were elected to the board in February.

## Membership

Kevin T. became our newest life member last month. We now have a tremendous 230 members.

Marlene reminds everyone that several people haven't renewed their membership. Regular - \$15.00, Family - \$21.00, and Youth 18 yrs and younger are FREE.

## Raffle

This month's raffle coin is an 1887 Morgan Dollar, NGC MS-64. Tickets are \$1 each; 6 for \$5, or 13 for \$10. Good luck everyone! - Gary

## Columbus Coin Show

**When:** March 17 - 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

**Where:** Makoy Center, Hilliard

**Admission:** CONA members get in free  
*(No show in April)*

## Speakers needed

Speakers are needed for the rest of the year.

## Hilltop auction

**When:** March. 26, (5:30 p.m. lot viewing)

**Where:** Grove City Coin, 2655 Columbus St.

## From our ANA rep.

It almost seems like its getting warmer, it's light out earlier or later however you look at it. March and April are two busy months . First the National Money show is coming up March 28-29-30. It's close by, just across the border into Pittsburgh, Pa., The second largest coin show in the country. I plan on being there at least Friday.(Long day trip)

Do not forget about April. More and more dealers and collectors are going to join together for national coin week and put old collectible coins and currency into circulation hoping to get more people into our great hobby. How about joining the fun? I have lots of wheats to put out there in those penny bowls at cash registers and plan on spending some Ike dollars and a few other choice collectible coins. Join the fun, put out some older coins, tip your waitress or waiter with something special, who knows it could bring new members into our club. Make sure you have fun doing it I know I am.

Till next month -- **Bob ANA Ohio District Rep.**

### Columbus Coin Show 3rd Sunday Every Month

2019 Dates

\*Jan 20 Feb 17 Mar 17 Apr No Show May 19 June 16  
July 21 Aug 18 Sept 15 Oct 20 Nov 17 Dec 15

**Hours 10-4 • \$2 Admission 18 or Older**

\*Jan Show Only at the  
Franklin County Fair Grounds (Edwards Building)  
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